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## UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Design Application of:

Johannes HEINRICH et al.

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CW**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to the first Examiner's Action, please amend the Application as follows:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Please replace the specification as filed on November 20, 2001, with the attached Substitute Specification.

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please cancel claims 1-19 without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter thereof, and add the following new claims: